
NZGA 2022 Winter Seminar

Towards Net Zero: Building a Sustainable Future

Thursday 28 July 2022

Great Lake Centre, Taupō

8:00am	Free barista coffee Bring your own coffee mug and we will shout you a free coffee. Limited availability. Registration open
9:00am	Barista coffee cart close
9:30am	Karakia and welcome
9:35am	Keynote speaker Hon Dr Megan Woods Minister of Energy and Resources Minister of Building and Construction Minister of Housing Association Minister of Finance
10:05am	Keynote speaker Energy Efficiency and Conservation Authority (EECA) Andrew Caseley, Chief Executive
10:45am	Tūaropaki Trust Dave Binnie, General Manager Energy Opportunities on hydrogen
11:00am	Morning tea
11:20am	New venture showcase Blandina (Te Wikitōria) Diamond, Te Pae o Waimihia Craig Stephenson, Commercial Development Manager, Contact Energy He Ahi, the Tauhara Clean Energy Park
11:40am	Emerging technologies presentations Ankur Arora, Product & Business Development Manager, Nikkiso Overview of organic Rankin power plant
11:55am	NZGA strategic projects update <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Geoheat Action Plan 2022-2023, Brian Carey • CO₂ reductions Industry collaboration project, Katie McLean • Supercritical research project, Isabelle Chambefort

12:55pm	<p>Institute of Directors Kirsten Patterson, Chief Executive</p> <p>The Board’s role in climate. Climate change is one of the most topical issues in governance. Come along and hear about how directors and boards need to effectively govern New Zealand organisations on the response to climate change and drive the global goal to achieve net zero carbon emissions by 2050”</p>
1:20pm	Lunch
2:00pm	<p>External speaker series: “Pathway to rapidly decarbonise Aotearoa power system”.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Ara Ake Cristiano Marantes, Chief Executive • Transpower Stephen Jay, General Manager Operations • New Zealand Stainless Steel Development Association Paul Gapper, Executive Director • Mercury Buddhika Rajapakse, Energy Futures Manager
2:40pm	Panel Q&A
3:00pm	Afternoon tea
3:15pm	<p>Panel discussions: The role of journalists: Reflections on how to communicate geothermal stories to the audience</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Business journalist & author Rod Oram • Energy News editor Steve Rotherham • TV presenter & comedian Tony Lyall
4:00pm	Reflections of the day and Close